ment order has not been issued as the medical certificates of some have not been received. The men selected are of the following castes:—

Nayars	..	10
Ezhuvas	..	3
Christians	..	4
Muslims	..	3
Brahmin	..	1
Kudumi Chetty	..	1
Ezhuthassan	....	1
Total	..	23

Applicants for Police-Inspector's post.

523. Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(1) how many applicants were there recently for the Sub-Inspector's post ;

(2) the names of the applicants ;

(3) had not the Christian applicant from Chittur the requisite qualification ;

(4) what was his height and his chest measurement ;

(5) was he not a graduate;

(6) does he not belong to the very unrepresented community in the State ;

(7) is it not the policy of the Government to encourage such community as the one to which the applicant belongs by giving them a few crumbs of official loaves and fishes ;

(8) why was this applicant passed over ?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—(1) 29

(2) :—

1. A. Kandappa Menon
2. P. Sankara Menon
3. K. K. Kurian
4. M. G. Gopalakrishnan
5. A. J. David
6. A. Sourimuthu
7. P. A. Symon
8. P. Govindankutti Menon
9. K. Sreedhara Menon
10. P. Kesava Menon
11. K. K. Abdul Rahiman
12. P. Raghava Menon
13. K. I. Ittaman
14. K. P. Raman Nambiyar

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15 R. Venkitachala Ayyar
16 K. P. Kunju Moideen
17 K. Raman Menon
18 P. S. Subramania Ayyar
19 A. S. Sambamurthi
20 K. R. Viswamparan
21 Karakkat Narayana Menon
22 K. I. Madhavan
23 P. R. Parameswara Menon
24 Vijayagopala Menon
25 K. R. Veda Narayanan
26 A. R. Godavarma Thirupad
27 N. R. Subramania Ayyar
28 T. A. Subramanian
29 P. V. Krishna Ayyar

(3) Yes.

(4) Height 6 feet 2 inches—Chest measurement 34 inches

(5) Yes.

(6) He belongs to the Christian Community which is not sparsely represented.

(7) It is the policy of the Government to encourage unrepresented communities.

(8) The applicant was passed over as there were others better suited for the post.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—May I know the measurement of the candidate selected?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—Vide answer to (4).

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—I want to know of the candidate selected. Do not the Government consider that Tamilian Christians are backward communities?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—No, Christians are well represented in the service.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Do not the Government know that these Tamilian Christians are very backward communities?

Dr. A. R. Menon.—Are there Tamil Christians in service?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—Not in the department.

Mr. George Chakyamuri.—Who was the candidate chosen?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—P. Sankara Menon.

Mr. George Chakyamuri.—What community?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—Nayar.

Mr. George Chakyamuri.—Is that community sparsely represented?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—The reason for selecting this man is this: Ever since the idea of having Probationary Inspectors, there were four men selected. The first was an

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Ezhuva, the second a Brahmin and the third a Mohamedan and the fourth was given to another community, the Nayar community.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to say what they mean by backward?

Dr. A. G. Menon.—When was he appointed?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—Recently, not more than a few months ago.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—What is meant by backward?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—A list of these communities is published in the Gazette from time to time.

Dr. A. G. Menon.—Is this Sankara Menon a Cochinite?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—Yes.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—May I know whether the Government have called for applications for the post?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—Yes. It was advertised in the Gazette.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—Was there an Ezhuva applicant?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—I think there was.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—Are not Ezhuvas sparsely represented in service?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—Yes, their turn was given. The very first candidate was an Ezhuva.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—Is not the Nayar community a well represented community?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—It is not the intention of the Government to stop recruitment from Christians, Nayars and other communities. They can only give a preference to backward classes.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—If it was the intention of the Government to appoint a Nayar candidate, why did you call for applications for the post?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—That question was considered only after the receipt of the applications.

President.—Question time is over.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—On a point of order. About 40 questions remain to be answered. The time may be extended by the kindness of the President.

President.—I cannot extend the time.

Appointment of Inspectors of Police by direct recruitment.

524. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(a) whether they have fixed any proportion to regulate appointments as Inspector or Sub-Inspectors of Police by promotion from the Department and by direct recruitment;

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